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WOMEN AND GIRLS ACTIVE IN Y.M.C.A.

Over 12,000 women and girls are members of the Montreal Y.M.C.A. Of these 6,185 are members of the various Y branches and most branches have lady board members. Another 6,092 are students at Sir George Williams University and Schools.

Women and girls participate as full partners in a wide range of Y activities including judo, scuba diving, yoga, gymnastics, etc. Some Y.M.C.A. programs are designed specifically for women and girls and daytime programs are particularly popular for local housewives.

Although no branch can at the moment boast a lady chairman several key committee posts are held by the ladies. At International branch three of the board members are women, while at N.D.G., Verdun, and Northmount four lady Y.M.C.A. staff members carry portfolios which not only include responsibility for ladies program but for the total range of Y.M.C.A. program.

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Even the Downtown Y.M.C.A. has over 600 female members. Other branch counts of women and girls are as follows. Lakeshore 1300, Northmount 933, N. D. G. 784, International 477, Lachine-Dorval 436, Westmount 397, Verdun-LaSalle 194.

More than 35% of all Y.M.C.A. members in Montreal are women and girls. There are over 46,000 women and girls members of the Canadian Y.M.C.A. for a national average of 30% of the total membership.